

FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS FOR THE MILLENNIUM

Fireworks and celebrations go together, especially during the Fourth of July and the upcoming millennium.

But fireworks can be dangerous, causing serious burn and eye injuries.

That's why the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and its national and state partners strongly recommend:

LEAVE FIREWORKS TO THE PROFESSIONALS!

But if fireworks are legal where you live and you decide to set them off on your own, be sure to follow these important safety tips:

- ★ Never allow children to play with ★ or ignite fireworks.
 - ★ Read and follow all warnings ★ and instructions.
- ★ Be sure other people are out of range ★ before lighting fireworks.
- ★ Only light fireworks on a smooth, flat ★ surface away from the house, dry leaves, and flammable materials.
 - ★ Never try to relight fireworks that ★ have not fully functioned.
- Keep a bucket of water handy in case *
 of a malfunction or fire.

National Fireworks Safety Partners

- ★ American Academy of Ophthalmology ★ American Academy of Pediatrics ★ American College of Emergency Physicians ★ American Optometric Association ★ American Red Cross ★ American Trauma Society ★ Boys & Girls Clubs of America ★ Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms ★ Consumer Information Center ★ Emergency Nurses CARE ★ Emergency Medical Services for Children ★ General Federation of Women's Clubs ★ Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.
- ★ International Association of Arson Investigators ★ Kiwanis
 International ★ National Association of Consumer Agency
 Administrators ★ National Association of Elementary School
 Principals ★ National Association of State Emergency Medical
 Services Directors ★ National Association of Towns and Townships
- ★ National Coalition for Consumer Education ★ National Coalition of Hispanic Health and Human Services Organizations
- ★ National Consumers League ★ National 4-H Council ★ National League of Cities ★ National SAFE KIDS Campaign ★ National Safety Council ★ Prevent Blindness America ★ Society of Pediatric Nurses
 - ★ State & Territorial Injury Prevention Directors Association
- ★ U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission ★ U.S. Department of Education, Safe and Drug-Free Program ★ U.S. Fire Administration
- ★ U.S. Forest Service ★ U.S. Indian Health Service ★ Young Women's Christian Association O USDA, Coop. State Reseach, Education & Extension Service

State Fireworks Safety Partners

- ★ Alabama Department of Public Health ★ Arkansas State Fire Marshal's Office ★ California Department of Health Services
- ★ Colorado Department of Public Health ★ D.C. Department of Health ★ Florida State Fire Marshal's Office ★ Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs ★ Idaho State Fire Marshal's Office
- ★ Indiana State Department of Health ★ Iowa Department of Public
 Health ★ Louisiana Office of Public Health ★ Massachusetts
 Department of Public Health ★ Michigan Department of Community
 Health ★ Missouri Department of Health ★ New Hampshire
 Department of Health and Human Services ★ New Jersey Department
 of Law & Public Safety ★ New Mexico Department of Health ★ North
 Dakota Department of Health & Consolidated Laboratories ★ Ohio
 Department of Health ★ Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office ★ Texas
 State Fire Marshal's Office ★ Virginia Department of Health
- ★ Washington State Fire Protection Bureau ★ West Virginia Attorney General's Office ★ Wyoming State Fire Marshal's Office

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